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TEST - AGENCY PRESS RELEASE

1. SECRETARIAT PLANS TO MAKE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE ON
FEB 3:

BEGIN TEXT

THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT IT
WILL CONDUCT A SECOND ROUTINE TEST OF ITS EMERGENCY OIL
ALLOCATION SYSTEM STARTING 2 APRIL 1978. NINETEEN
COUNTRIES AND THIRTY-ONE INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL OIL
COMPANIES WILL PARTICIPATE.

THE TEST WILL PUT INTO PLAY CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE IEA
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EMERGENCY OIL SHARING SCHEME INVOLVING DATA COLLECTION
AND PROCESSING, AND OIL COMPANY AND IEA MEMBER GOVERN-
MENT CO-OPERATION. THIS VOLUMETRIC EXERCISE WILL BE
BASED ON ACTUAL OIL OPERATIONS AS THEY APPEARED IN THE
SECOND HALF OF 1977. THE TEST WILL LAST FOR SIX TO
NINE WEEKS AND WILL HIGHLIGHT AREAS FOR FURTHER
IMPROVEMENTS IN THE EMERGENCY SYSTEM.

THE IEA'S EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS IS BASED ON STOCK-
HOLDING AND, IN CASE AN EMERGENCY OCCURS, DEMAND
RESTRAINT AND EQUITABLE ALLOCATION OF AVAILABLE OIL.

VARIOUS SUBSECTIONS OF THE SYSTEM HAVE BEEN TESTED
BEFORE INCLUDING:

- EMERGENCY DATA REPORTING, TO COLLECT DATA ON
IMPORTS AND EXPORTS AS WELL AS INDIGENOUS PRODUCTION
AND STOCKS FROM COUNTRIES AND COMPANIES
- ROUTINE DATA REPORTING TO PROVIDE A HISTORICAL
BASIS FOR CALCULATING ALLOCATION RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS
- PROCEDURES FOR COORDINATION BETWEEN THE IEA
SECRETARIAT AND OIL COMPANIES.

DURING THE 1978 TEST, EMERGENCY ORGANIZATION AND PRO-
CEDURES IN IEA MEMBER COUNTRIES AND IN PARTICULAR PRO-
CEDURES FOR COORDINATION WITH THE IEA SECRETARIAT
WILL ALSO BE TESTED. MEMBER COUNTRIES HAVE ESTABLISHED
NATIONAL EMERGENCY SUPPLY ORGANIZATIONS WHICH WILL CO-
OPERATE CLOSELY WITH NATIONAL OIL INDUSTRIES, INCLUDING
TRADERS AND INDEPENDENT REFINERS, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT
OFFICES TO ALLOCATE OIL DURING AN EMERGENCY.
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